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Miss La Motte does not go into details of the the nursing which every nurse ought to be familiar with, but she takes in everything that comes under the head of public health nursing, and particularly the prevention of tuberculosis. No point is omitted that is necessary to the successful campaign against this terrible scourge of mankind and every phase of the work is treated with the thoroughness that ensures the best results. The reader gets the idea that the energy and perseverance that speak from every page of the book are very real qualities in its author.

A DOCTOR'S VIEWPOINT. By John Bessner Huber, A.M., M.D., Editor of *The Dietetic and Hygienic Gazette*; Author of *Consumption and Civilization*, Fellow of the American Medical Association and of The New York Academy of Medicine. Gazette Publishing Company, 37 Nassau Street, New York.

The proposal of a recent date to remove the records of battles from the school histories as a measure tending to promote world wide peace, does not seem to have attracted popular approval to any extent. We are afraid that our young people may be left without standards of courage and bravery and that coming generations, deprived of incentives to fame and glory, may come short of the measure of patriotism and good citizenship. Why not teach the young that there are other roads leading to glory beside those that end in death on the battlefield? Why not claim space on the history pages for the achievements of some who have *lived* for their country and for the world's good? The first sketch in the present volume, entitled *A Twentieth Century Epic*, illustrates the case in question. It has for its themes preventive medicine and sanitary reform, and while it chronicles a long list of martyrs who died in the cause, it crystallizes in the life of William Crawford Gorgas. Doubtless the completion of the Panama Canal will have full justice done it in American history—from the point of view of the engineer, of the financier, and with reference to the world commerce, but it ought to go into history, from the doctor's point of view as well, if it is to be adequately appreciated by those who come after our time.

This brief but comprehensive paper on the life and work of Colonel Gorgas is the first and perhaps most interest-compelling in the book, but none of them lack interest, and all contain excellent advice for our dealings with the problems of civilization.

The paper on *Elimination of Tuberculosis*, places the responsibility upon laymen equally with doctors, for failure to vanquish what Dr.

Huber calls the Captain of the Men of Death. He includes in his arraignment, the Payne-Aldrich tariff, taxing the working man 42 per cent (average) on the necessities of life; the cold storage system of hoarding food of a perishable nature for years and finally selling it; legislatures which allow millions of the people's money for doubtful schemes; venders of patent medicines; those who overwork women and children; those who collect rents from unsanitary tenements, etc., etc. The paper entitled *Danger Signals*, gives interesting hints at the causes of failing powers after the meridian of life and valuable advice for the readjustment of forces. *Woman's Seven Ages*, paper number seven, leaves us just a trifle suspicious that his observance was not altogether from the professional viewpoint. We feel too that there may have been extenuating circumstances in the case of the lady so gravely in error, "She was past forty and she had not married."

Taken all together, Dr. Huber has given us a delightful book and one which will start many a one thinking of things in an entirely new way, and of one's responsibilities.

MOTHER-CRAFT FOR SCHOOL GIRLS. By Florence Horspool, L.O.S., C.R.S.I., Inspector of Midwives, Swansea; Honorary Secretary of Mothers and Babies Welcome, Swansea. With a preface by Lady Mond, Founder and President of the Mothers' and Babies Welcome, Swansea. Macmillan and Company, St. Martins St., London. Price 40 cents.

A practical little book comprehensively stating the needs of the baby: care, love, patience and regularity in all things, clothing, washing, dressing and feeding the baby, are demonstrated for young mothers and for young girls, upon whom the care of the baby may be placed.